

**Introduced by Senator Alarcon**February 19, 2003

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An act to add Section 66204.5 to the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 383, as introduced, Alarcon. College Preparatory Commission.

Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to assist all school districts to ensure that all public high school pupils have access to a core curriculum that meets the admission requirements of the University of California and the California State University. Existing law requires the California State University, and requests the University of California to establish a model uniform set of academic standards for high school courses, including career technical courses, for the purposes of recognition for admission to the California State University and the University of California.

This bill would establish a College Preparatory Commission to be comprised of representatives from the University of California, the California State University, the California Community Colleges, private colleges and universities, the state department of education, the state board of education, teachers, including vocational education and career technology teachers, counselors, parents, and students. The bill would require the commission to determine a model college preparatory curriculum for public high schools. The bill would require the commission to advise the Governor, the Legislature, and the State Board of Education on the model college preparatory curriculum for public high schools. The bill would authorize the commission to apply for and accept grants and receive gifts, donations, and other financial support from public or private sources. The provisions of the bill would,



pursuant to existing provisions of law, only be applicable to the University of California if the Regents of the University of California adopt a resolution to make them applicable.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares the  
2 following:

3 (a) The state must provide more equitable and higher quality  
4 learning opportunities to pupils in high schools so that more pupils  
5 complete high school successfully and go on to postsecondary  
6 education.

7 (b) A College Preparatory Commission that determines the  
8 college preparatory curriculum in public high schools would help  
9 more high school pupils to successfully prepare for higher  
10 education.

11 SEC. 2. Section 66204.5 is added to the Education Code, to  
12 read:

13 66204.5. (a) There is hereby established a College  
14 Preparatory Commission.

15 (b) The commission shall be comprised of representatives from  
16 the following:

17 (1) The University of California.

18 (2) The California State University.

19 (3) The California Community Colleges.

20 (4) Private colleges and universities.

21 (5) The State Department of Education.

22 (6) The State Board of Education.

23 (7) Teachers, including vocational education and career  
24 technology teachers.

25 (8) Counselors.

26 (9) Parents.

27 (10) Students.

28 (c) The commission shall determine a model college  
29 preparatory curriculum for public high schools. Coursework shall  
30 include a broad and rigorous set of experiences in the humanities,  
31 sciences, and the arts, as well as providing the basis for



1 college-level work, vocational training, and for participation in the  
2 work force and civic affairs.

3 (d) The commission shall advise the Governor, the Legislature,  
4 and the State Board of Education on the model college preparatory  
5 curriculum for public high schools.

6 (e) The commission may apply for and accept grants and  
7 receive gifts, donations, and other financial support from public or  
8 private sources for the purposes of this section, subject to the  
9 requirements of Sections 11005 and 11005.1 of the Government  
10 Code.

11 (f) The commission may also use any state funds appropriated  
12 by the Legislature for the purposes of this section.

